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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, OCTOBER 23, 2001

APPLICATION OF

PRINCE GEORGE ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE

CASE NO. PUE010001

For approval of functional  
separation pursuant to the  
Virginia Electric Utility  
Restructuring Act

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR FURTHER EXTENSION OF TIME

By motion filed on October 17, 2001, the Staff of the State Corporation Commission requests the Commission to grant it a further extension of time to file its report in the above-captioned proceeding.<sup>1</sup> Staff specifically requests that the date for filing its Report be extended from October 24, 2001, to November 7, 2001.

In support of its position, Staff states that completion of its review has been complicated by scheduling problems that arose after Prince George Electric Cooperative (the "Cooperative") withdrew its rate case.<sup>2</sup> Staff also states that it

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<sup>1</sup> Pursuant to an Order issued on July 27, 2001, the Commission extended the time for filing Staff's Report from August 1, 2001, to October 24, 2001.

<sup>2</sup> Pursuant to an Order issued on July 24, 2001, the Commission granted the Cooperative's request to withdraw its rate case application (Case No. PUE000734) and directed the Cooperative to file the cost of service study and proposed unbundled rates, fees, and charges to support its functional separation plan within 14 days of the entry of that Order.

contacted counsel for the Cooperative who represents that the Cooperative has no objection to the Commission granting Staff's motion, provided that it has two weeks, or until November 21, 2001, to file any response to Staff's Report.

NOW THE COMMISSION, having considered the matter, is of the opinion and finds that Staff's request is reasonable and should be granted. While we note the Cooperative's request for additional time to file a response, we believe that granting such additional time is unwarranted in this instance. The time period requested by the Cooperative exceeds that authorized in our Order dated August 10, 2001.<sup>3</sup> More importantly, the requested time period would not provide sufficient time for our review as we expect to render a decision in early December. Although we believe that one-week is sufficient to respond to Staff's Report, we will permit the Cooperative and other interested persons to have two additional days to respond to Staff's Report.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) Staff's motion requesting further extension of time to file report is hereby granted.

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<sup>3</sup> In an Order dated August 10, 2001, the Commission permitted the Cooperative and other interested persons to file any response they may have to Staff's Report on or before October 31, 2001, or a week after the filing of Staff's October 24, 2001, Report.

(2) The time for filing Staff's Report in the above-captioned matter is hereby extended from October 24, 2001, to November 7, 2001.

(3) The date for filing any response to Staff's Report is hereby extended from October 31, 2001, to November 16, 2001.